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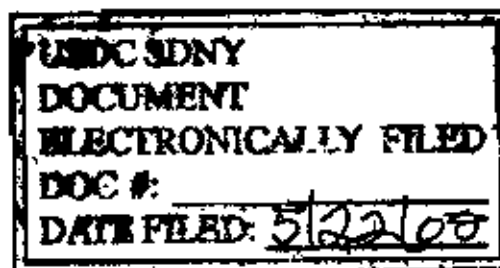
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U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

May 21, 2008

**VIA FACSIMILE**

Honorable Naomi R. Buchwald  
United States District Court  
Southern District of New York  
Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street, Room 2270  
New York, NY 10007



Re: Hovensa L.L.C. v. Technip Italy S.p.A., et al., C.A. No. 08-1221 (NRB)

Dear Judge Buchwald:

We represent Defendants in the referenced action by Plaintiff Hovensa L.L.C. We write to request Your Honor's approval of the following briefing schedule agreed by the parties for Defendants' Motion to Dismiss the First Amended Complaint: (1) Defendants will submit their Motion to Dismiss the First Amended Complaint on or before Friday, May 30, 2008; (2) Plaintiff will serve its answering papers on or before Wednesday, June 18, 2008; and (3) Defendants will serve their reply papers on or before Friday, June 27, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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